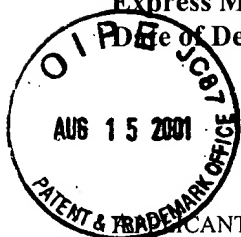


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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME


Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of time to respond to the June 14, 2001 Notice to File Missing Parts in the above-identified application. A check in the amount of \$55.00, in payment of the fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(1), is enclosed herewith.

Please charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 15966-729 (Cura-229). A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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